

more than one bicycle for a single person. This act shall take effect immediately.

The new law is known as chapter 833 of the laws of 1896.

POINTER'S LETTER TO DEFEW.

Before the signing of the Armstrong bill by Governor Morton, Chief Consul Potter wrote an open letter to Chauncey M. Defew, as president of the New York Central Railroad, containing the following statements:

"You condemn the methods adopted by the League of American Wheelmen in its contest with the railroad corporations over the passage of this bill, and you suggest the altogether preposterous idea that the League is trying to force America's greatest railroad to do 'something for nothing.'"

"You seem to contemplate with real horror the idea that a twenty-point bicycle should be classed as baggage, under the provisions of the law to which I have referred, and your conception of the meaning of the word 'baggage' seems to begin and end with the mental picture of a trunk."

"Now, it is said to cost your company from 20 cents to 75 cents to haul one ton of hundred miles over its road. This means a cost to you of 75 cents (at the outside) for hauling a hundred bicycles for a distance which yields you the sum of \$200 in passenger fares paid by the wheelmen, who under the present law would be entitled to free and a half tons of baggage of any other description, without extra charges."

"Let me quote from one of your speeches: 'If the nation would remain free, its young men must be the most important factors in its politics and parties. They alone possess the element which overturns ruling and upsets combinations and all other artificial creations for the suppression of popular sentiment.'"

"Was there ever a more iniquitous combination than that of the railroads which maintain a perpetual lobby in the legislature at Albany? And can you afford to condemn the wheelmen for the vigorous (but honest) methods by which they have been able to rout the 'black horse cavalry' at the State capital?"

WILL RESIST THE BURDEN CHARGES.

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locked, and," Mr. Newton added, "it is remarkable that, whereas all of this prisoner's luggage was locked, that which belonged to Turner was open."

Dunlop had also held a good character for a great number of years, and was formerly, it is said, in the service of the Duke of Portland. From all this it gathered that possibly an attempt will be made to whitewash Turner at the expense of Dunlop, but I fancy that the ingenuity of his clever counsel will not succeed."

MAKING ESCAPE DIFFICULT.

Today Mr. Hodson, of the United States Embassy, applied in the Bow Street Police Court for a provisional warrant for the detention of both men on the charge of larceny, which was at once granted. Accordingly, when the case comes up next Thursday in the Marlborough Street Police Court, should the prisoners be liberated on the plea of being in possession of property supposed to be stolen, they will be rearrested straightway on the larceny warrant and conveyed to Bow Street, where they will be at once placed in the dock before Sir John Bridge, who, by the way, has the Jameson case in hand.

There is not a bit of sentiment about Bridge, who, having heard scores of extradition cases, knows their fine points and how to dispose of them.

MR. BURDEN TESTIFIES.

Tells the Grand Jury About the Robbery, and It is Said Dunlop and Turner Are Indicted.

The District-Attorney's office was kept busy all day yesterday making preparations for the extradition of William Robert Dunlop and William Turner, who are under arrest in London, charged with the Burden diamond robbery.

Assistant District-Attorney Battle returned from Washington on Sunday night, where he had been to ascertain what papers were necessary to bring the burglars back to America.

Mr. I. Townsend Burden appeared before the Grand Jury yesterday morning and testified to the loss of the jewels and what he knew about it. He presented to the jury information he had received from London connecting Dunlop and Turner with the robbery. It is said the Grand Jury had no hesitation in returning indictments for burglary against the men, although no positive information could be obtained from the District-Attorney's office, except that indictments would be found by the Grand Jury.

During the afternoon William E. Burden, the son of I. Townsend Burden, and Margaret Krause, a young German servant girl who was in the employ of the Burdens at the time of the robbery, appeared before Assistant District-Attorney Lindsay and subscribed to affidavits which had been prepared for them.

Margaret is said to have been the sweetheart of Dunlop before he left this country and, it is surmised, has given information which may materially aid in establishing the fact of his guilt.

The Burden family, together with Assistant District-Attorney Lindsay, who goes to England to urge the extradition of the alleged burglars, sail on the Teutonic Wednesday morning. Detectives McCauley and Evancho, of the Central Office, will await the perfection of extradition papers and will then leave for England to return with the accused. The two detectives will probably sail on Saturday.

Mr. Burden's home in Twenty-sixth street is the scene of bustle and activity preparatory to the departure for Europe. Mrs. Burden said yesterday that the kitchen-maid, who is reported to have told Mrs. Lucien that it was Dunlop and Turner who stole the jewels, absolutely denied the story when she questioned her about it. She said the first intimation the family had concerning the whereabouts of the gems and in whose possession they were was from J. S. Morgan & Co., although they had suspected Dunlop and Turner, Dunlop especially.

Greenwich, Conn., April 20.—William R. Dunlop, charged with complicity in the robbery of the Burden jewels in New York City, United States Just previous to his departure for England. He had been in his possession then and displayed them, but left town without explaining the loss of the jewels. He represented himself as a valet to an English Lord who was about to leave New York for London, and said the Lord's name was Lord X.

MAD COW AT LARGE.

Policeman, After Lassoing Her with an Iron Hoop, Is Thrown and Badly Hurt.

Patrolman Richard C. Schum, of the East Fifty-first Street Station, at the risk of his life, attempted the capture of a mad cow on First avenue, near Fifty-sixth street, early last evening. While walking through Fifty-third street he heard loud cries of fear, and rushing to the corner saw a number of terrified children running up Third avenue pursued by a cow which was viciously shaking its head from side to side and bellowing ferociously.

The policeman drew his revolver, but did not dare shoot, because of the number of people in the street. He gave chase to the animal, and at Fifty-fourth street picked up an iron barrel hoop from the street and threw it over the cow's head, at the same time clinging to it himself. The cow dragged the officer along for two blocks, and then stopped short, and with a toss of her head threw the policeman across the road. He landed in a heap on the sidewalk and lay there unconscious. But for the arrival of several men with ropes, who lassoed the animal just as it was making for the prostrate man, the policeman would probably have been gored to death.

The cow's captors led it away to Gugenheimer's slaughter house, at Forty-fourth street and First avenue, from which it had escaped.

Policeman Schum was taken to the Flower Hospital, where his injuries, a scalp wound and several bruises about the body, were dressed, and where he again reported duty.

WIFE DEFENDS HER HONOR

With Her Baby in Arms the Young Woman Shoots to Death Her Husband's Friend.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., April 20.—In protecting her honor, Mrs. Catherine Anita, of Lattimer, this morning shot and killed Angelo Dangolo.

Lattimer is a mining town in the lower end of the county, and Mrs. Anita, who is an Italian, is considered the prettiest woman for miles around.

As Anita worked on the night shift Sunday, her wife was left alone with her two-year-old child. Dangolo, who worked on the same shift, pleaded sickness about midnight and left the mine. At 2 a. m. Mrs. Anita was awakened by some one entering her room. In the moonlight, she saw the form of Dangolo. With a scream, she sprang up, and ordered him out of the house. He seized her, but she broke away from him, ran to the window and shrieked for help. Fearful of capture, Dangolo dashed out of the house.

Mrs. Anita locked her door. She placed under her pillow her husband's heavy revolver.

About 5 a. m. she was awakened by a tap at her door, and thinking it was her husband, she opened the door. She was terrified when Dangolo stepped into the room. With penitent air he pleaded for forgiveness, and for the return of his hat, which he had left behind him in his flight. She refused to return the tell-tale hat, and, stopping back, picked up the baby on one arm, and with the other hand secured the revolver.

He fell on his knees and implored her to give him the hat, and, as he spoke, he raised his knees, he moved forward toward her. She shot at the man on his knees until the revolver was empty, and then, with her bare clasped in her arms, and the smoking weapon still in her hand, ran into the street and into the arms of her husband, who was returning home. People near by had been aroused by the shooting and thronged to the house.

Dangolo was bleeding from five wounds, still alive, but unconscious. He was taken to the hospital, but died before reaching there. Mrs. Anita gave herself up.

TOBACCO SCRIP IN COURT.

Holders of Preferred Stock Try to Enjoin the Trust from Paying the Dividend.

A suit was brought in the Chancery Court of Jersey City yesterday by Frank Hillman Hall against the American Tobacco Company to restrain it from paying on May 1 a scrip dividend of 20 per cent to holders of the common stock. The attorneys for the plaintiff are Thompson, Dickinson & McMassters, No. 1 Exchange place, Jersey City. Frank H. Hoel is a student in their office and serves only as a figure-head. The real plaintiffs are holders of preferred stock, who seek to compel the American Tobacco Company to obey the provisions of the certificate of organization, which stipulates that no dividend shall be paid on the common stock until an annual dividend of 8 per cent is paid yearly on the preferred stock. It is optional with the company to pay this dividend annually, semi-annually or quarterly.

A temporary injunction was granted the plaintiff to show cause. The case will come up again in about ten days. The dividend involved is said to be about \$3,000,000. The books closed April 15 and the dividend was to be paid May 1. Goodrich, Dundy & Goodrich, of No. 59 Wall street, are said to be the plaintiffs' New York attorneys.

REED MAY LOSE CONNECTICUT.

Delegates-at-Large Soon to Be Chosen to Go Unpledged.

New Haven, Conn., April 20.—The preliminary organization of the Republican State Convention will be formed in this city tomorrow night at the Hypocrite Theatre. E. M. Warner has been decided upon as temporary chairman. After the appointment of committees on credentials, permanent organization and platform, speech-making will be in order.

At the adjournment of the convention Congressional delegates will be held to nominate four candidates for delegates-at-large to the National Republican Convention. It is doubtful if these delegates to St. Louis will be pledged to any candidate, and the platform will contain no division of opinion concerning protection and sound money. It is expected that the State Convention will adjourn Wednesday afternoon, and the reorganization of the State Central Committee will follow.

AN INCREASE IN MEASLES.

But Health Board President Wilson Is Not Alarmed.

The Bureau of Contagious Diseases reported 531 new cases of measles and thirty-six deaths for the week ending last Saturday. President Charles G. Wilson, of the Board of Health, last night said: "The increase is undoubtedly due to the warm weather. Warm weather always brings on an aggravation of diseases of this sort."

Croup is prevented by the timely use of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, the mother's friend.

HUGE LANDSLIDE ON THE PALISADES.

Avalanche of Rock Wrecks Buildings and Forests Opposite Yonkers.

Mrs. Watson-Wilkes Flees from Her Home Just Before a Boulder Strikes It.

TREES SPLINTERED BY THE STONES.

Acres of Land Devastated by the Falling Earth, and People Across the River Are Alarmed by the Terrifying Sound.

Enormous masses of rock, aggregating in weight nearly five hundred tons, fell from the top of the Palisades immediately opposite Yonkers on Saturday evening last, and several people narrowly escaped with their lives.

The spot where the big land slide occurred is near the village of Alpine, and within fifty yards of the Mill Rock, the landing place for the ferry which plies between Yonkers and the Palisades in the summer season.

At this point the Palisades rise almost perpendicularly to a height of 300 feet above the water level, and a huge, partly overhanging rock at the extreme summit has long been a favorite place for visitors.



As from it a magnificent view extending over Long Island Sound might be enjoyed.

Immediately beneath this, at its brink, the Hudson, stood a stone building, more than one hundred years old, and said to have been the headquarters of General Wallace during the war of independence. Here Watson Wilkes, a river pilot, lived with his wife and two children. A hundred feet away is the home of Wilkes's father and mother, Mrs. and Mrs. Elias Wilkes.

On Saturday Mrs. Watson Wilkes was alone with her babies in the little home. About 6 o'clock in the evening the young woman was alarmed by a curious, rumbling noise over head, and rushing to the back door saw earth and rocks sliding down the side of the hills. Taking her little ones in her arms, she ran to her mother-in-law's house, and they watched the stones falling from the cliffs. She feared to go to her house again, but at 8 o'clock started back with her father-in-law to get her baby's clothes. While she was in the house the old man leaped upon the beach and watched the cliffs above.

As he watched he noticed the outline of the rugged rocks above suddenly change. Simultaneously there was a noise as of an approaching avalanche. He called to the young woman to run for her life, and made haste to do the same himself. Together they started for the house upon the dock.

Before the terrified pair had gone twenty yards the whole mass of rock had tumbled over the sides of the Palisades, carrying before it hundreds of trees, and leaving a wide trail of devastation.

For a space of over fifty yards at the base of the descent the beach was strewn with dozens of stone boulders, many of them weighing over forty tons. One block, six feet by five, and four feet thick, burst through the basement walls of the house, entirely demolishing the southwest corner. The largest lump of all, a cube fully twelve feet across, came down into the north of Mrs. Wilkes's home and bounding, rested on the exact spot where the old man had sat.

Eighty feet away another huge boulder did considerable damage to an unoccupied house belonging to Mr. Quinn, of Brooklyn.

The effects of the landslide were terrific. Trees over a hundred years old were uprooted and smashed to kindling wood. Mrs. Wilkes said that the earth fairly shook beneath her feet as she ran. When she reached her mother-in-law's cottage she fell flat upon the floor with exhaustion and fright.

Silas Wilkes said yesterday that the rocks in their fall created a blaze of fire like mighty flints striking on steel. The dust that rose hung like a cloud about the place for twenty minutes so that nothing could be seen.

It was probably the heaviest fall of rock ever known at the Palisades, and created considerable alarm at Yonkers, for the safety of the Wilkes family. Within an hour three members of the Palisade Yacht Club rowed over for information. Hundreds of people visited the scene of the slide yesterday.

SALOON-HOTELS IN TROUBLE.

Complaints Filed Against Twenty-five Landlords Yesterday.

Chief Conlin yesterday received reports from the commander of each precinct relative to the workings of the Raines law in their districts and particularly with reference to the saloon-hotels.

SAYS HE IS PERSECUTED.

Hotel Keeper Curtin Makes Charges Against the Police—Captain McKirvey's Statement.

Daniel Curtin, proprietor of the hotel at No. 355 Bowers, was one of those who got into trouble Sunday on account of the Excise law.

Andrew O'Keefe, a waiter employed in Curtin's place, was arrested Sunday for selling two glasses of beer without serving a meal to Officer Adolph Forster. He was arraigned yesterday in the Essex Market Police Court. The charge was not regarded as proven by the Judge and O'Keefe was discharged.

The police have often suspected Curtin of excise violations and have made a number of arrests in his place, but have each time failed to secure a judgment in their favor.

Curtin thinks he is the victim of persecution and that the police are trying to make trouble for him in retaliation for their defeat in court.

Albert Brown, clerk and barkeeper at Curtin's hotel, said yesterday: "The arrest of Mr. Heyne, one of our clerks, a couple of Sundays ago by Acting Captain McKirvey's men, was made on the ground that party-men had been removed to make the saloon, or bar proper, the only entrance to the hotel. This was an error. No alteration except the removal of the lunch counter and trivial repairs in the kitchen were made."

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